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Testing takes place at 9 A.M. at:

Denver Technical College
225 South Union
Colorado Springs

Everyone is seated on a walk-in basis. Those wishing to take an exam should bring the following items:

1. \$6.35 (preferably a check/money order made out to ARRL/VEC) for any exam other than element 1A or 2.
2. Picture identification.

3. A copy of your current amateur radio license, and/or a copy of any examination credit you have, as well as the signed original. We keep the copies.

4. A pen, pencils, and a calculator if you need one.

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Reminder — General Membership Meeting

The next General Membership meeting of the Pikes Peak Radio Amateur Association will be on the second Wednesday of this month at the Mt Calvary Lutheran Church, 1318 N.Circle. The meeting will start at 1900.

October Program is ELECTIONS!

President's Corner October, 1998

Well folks, another year is down the tubes, and elections are coming up this month and if I am not mistaken (and I don't think I am this time), this is my last Presidents Corner column! It has been an interesting job, and a good experience. It has had its ups and downs (mostly ups) and I still don't like to write, but sometimes subject material is easier to come by. For example, this would be a good time to talk about the events and activities of the past year.

I still don't know everybody in the club. I try to pick out the new faces at each meeting and say hello to those people. I don't know how well I've done at that. I wish I had more time to talk with some of the "more established" members as well at the meetings.

As far as club activities and events go, we've been pretty busy for the past year. The swapfest and picnic all turned out well. The library exhibit appears to be a success and I'm sure JOTA will turn out very well. We've done a lot of other activities as well including the Pikes Peak Hill Climb and Enduro and monthly activities including transmitter hunts. In fact, I'd say that we pretty well tapped out our pool of volunteers to run all of these activities. If we expect to do more in the future, we'll need to find more members.

Speaking about membership, I did not take a good head count at every one of our meetings, but I believe that we had about 35 people at last November's meeting. Prior to last October's election, we had been running at about that level of attendance for a few months. Attendance had increased until it peaked out at 52 in June, then summer vacations lowered the number for two months. The September meeting drew 47 people. That's a mild improvement over last year, but we've got a long way to go to reach the levels we had seven or eight years ago.

Our meeting programs have been excellent for the past year. Prior to taking office, I had heard comments about the programs being too technical or too simplistic. We've covered the gamut pretty darn well this year with the FCC giving a talk, programs on kit building, test equipment and more. The auction we held earlier in the year well extremely well received, also. Maybe we can

do it again next year. Thanks go to Jeff Boyes for arranging these programs.

Thanks are also due to all of the Board members and visitors to the Board meetings. A lot of good ideas have been generated at these meetings such as the Thursday evening 146.58 simplex net and the QSL board. Business decisions have been made without personal or political bias and the club is making a serious effort to cooperate with other groups in the Pikes Peak region. The library exhibit on October third was a good example of that. I feel that we have made significant progress in restoring some positive momentum to the club. We have also started to document a few of our activities such as the picnic and library exhibit so that we easily replicate and improve these events in the future.

I've heard a few comments over the last year about us needing some new blood in our ranks. I'm still working on that. We've got an huge resource out there in Boy Scouts and schools. We haven't scratched the surface on that one. We've a couple of folks working on it, but we need more.

The one thing that I haven't been able to do over the past year is get more folks to volunteer to help out with club projects. I just can't seem to find the key to unlocking the potential of about half of the club. I'm still hoping that someone can give me or the new Board a few good ideas on how to do that.

W0w! That almost looked like some sort of "State of the Club" speech, didn't it? Well, that's all I've got for this year. Thanks for putting up with me for the past year! I'll see you at the meeting. Please be sure to make it to the elections. Your choices of officers will certainly affect the future of our club.

Greg Tarca, WA2OOD

General membership meeting minutes for September 9, 1998

Good Evening and welcome to the General membership meeting. Greg WA2OOD called the meeting to order at 7:03, dropping the gavel twice. There was an introduction of members present and call signs were given, also had the opportunity to offer themselves as an Elmer.

Greg's announcement was that the simplex nets have had good attendance in check ins. George WBØDUM

announces that, volunteers are needed to help take down a vertical antenna, for a lady in York Town.

Greg WA2OOD, Thanked all who participated in the Pikes Peak Enduro event and for them to get their T-shirt at the break, also Mir sweatshirts were passed out, to participates of this event.

Corrections for last month's minutes are as follows: Board meeting minutes for August 16th, Rosie WA0MNL, Said that Thank you notes have been sent to everyone who donated door prizes for the swapfest. Also, John Herring W8EGF, said that he would be Field Day chairperson, with Mike Stansberry KØTER as CW station captain. The meeting minutes were accepted.

Treasurer's Report, Rob N7LV will submit a separate report.

Committee report: Mike Stansberry was not here, so there is nothing to report at this time. Rob N7LV, mentioned the great attendance at the Balloon Classic. It was a wonderful site to see.

Historian: Jody KAØROZ has nothing to report this month.

Membership: Les KCØNC, mention's that membership has fallen off some. He did a survey on membership from January to the present date and found out that we had a total of only 11 new members join and lost 49 in that time period. Current membership is now at 165. This could be due to members moving.

Programs: Jeff NØJLH, has no program for the month of October due to elections coming up. At the picnic a pair sunglasses were found and if they are yours to please let him know. The second thing that Jeff talked about was, at the board meeting on August 16, there was some discussion on acquiring a postage meter. He presented us with this information, it would cost about \$24.75 a month to rent this machine and it would be the same rate as peeling and sticking the stamps on the envelopes.

CCARC: Ron NKØP, reminded members about the semi-annual meeting taking place on September 26th at 1:00pm, at the Falcon sub-station.

Publicity: Ron NKØP, is in need of volunteers to help with the Thursday night simplex nets. Also, if people are going to sponsor an event that it would be nice for them

to check into the net, therefore if others had questions they could be answered on the net.

Technical Instruction: Linda KBØRKW, reminds people of the CW kit building class on September 27th. They decided to go with the five people that signed up for the class. Starting sometime after the first of the year 1999 in January, they will be offering the Novice/Tech classes again. As soon as a date is affirmed Linda KBØRKW will notify the club.

VE Testing: The next VE test will be held on October 10th at the Denver Technical College, contact Eric KGØXE for additional information. Carlos KBØREI, said that we have 2 students right now ready to be tested.

Ø-Beat: Bill KDØJU, had no report this month.

John Herring W8EGF, will be scouting for a different sight for Field Day with hopes of getting more people involved and general community involvement. He has a list of different stations or positions that need to be coordinated or some one to be captain of. May consider having an information booth, also maybe a raffle. Let us try to not make this a last minute event. Rob N7LV mentioned to also coordinate with Mountain Amateur Radio, and keep them involved with Field Day.

Bob Ryals KIØGF, reminded people of the upcoming Swapfest meeting to start planning for next year. It will be Saturday, September 19th at 9:00am, at Einstein Bagels, on Academy and Woodman.

Old Business: Dan Scott KBØPPM, For JOTA Has 3 HF stations already. The weekend of September 12th and 13th is planed to survey the site. Dan is in need of some people for the VHF stations. Will need to get permission from the Repeater Association. The dates for JOTA are October 16,17,18.

Aaron KD6FLM, for the upcoming Library Exhibit, is in need of volunteers to man some tables and to greet people at the door. There will be a HF side band station set up so people will be able to see what goes on. Mike Anderson WV7T volunteered to help with the HF station at the Library Exhibit.

In last month's Ø-Beat a Fox hunt was scheduled for Sunday, September 13th in Colorado Springs, unfortunately the fox will be out of town, so it would

have been very difficult to catch him. It has been re-scheduled for September 27th.

New Business: Paula KCØAGG, had 3 announcements, the first was she had a gift to give to our President Greg WA2OOD. It was a boss slammer. The slammer says 3 different sentences when you hit it or drop it. They are; "It wasn't my fault", "I wasn't even there" and "My secretary lost it". Attending members got a laugh out of that. The second thing that Paula mentioned was, on behalf of the PPRAA club, on September 1, 1998, she was able to attend the funeral of Roxy V. Van Houtan, II. She said that "the services were very nice" and she presented the family with a card signed, "With our deepest sympathy, all of the members of the PPRAA". She placed the bouquet of flowers in the casket after the services were over. Paula received 2 memorial cards, one that was given to the historian and the other placed in the secretary file.

KBØCY, Bob Witty's daughter, Sara KCØAMO, entered a science contest for AFCEA and wrote an article for last month's Ø-Beat on "which AA battery lasts longest"? Rob N7LV asked her if she wanted to submit the article to the Ø-Beat and she agreed. She took 2nd place with the article. Congratulations on her efforts.

Rob N7LV, mentioned that the club jackets that had been ordered are now here and also the Mir sweatshirts.

Greg WA2OOD, gave Paula KCØAGG the membership attendance book to keep with the secretary records. The notebook for lists of procedures for events was also given to her.

The Hammy: Carlos KBØREI, said that he would need an extension on adding something to the hammy. He had a lot of people to choose from to award the hammy to. Should he give it to someone with seniority or a new call sign, after some consideration, he awarded it to Jake NØCYR, who declined it, as he had nowhere to put it. It was then awarded to Rex KIØBJ. Phil KC5LXC accepted it on his behalf and took it to him.

Door prize winners this month were KBØREI, NØNJX, KØSU, Cassie, and NØUVR.

Program: Jeff NØJLH, introduced Bob Witte KBØCY a long time member of the club, who gave a very explicit program on Electronic Test Equipment. It was very interesting.

Aaron KD6FLM took lots of pictures at this meeting.

A motion made by Moe WBØRTF to adjourn, seconded by Paula KCØAGG, the meeting ended at 8:43 local.

Submitted by Paula Gainer KCØAGG Secretary

OM/YL LUNCH BUNCH

We will have our October get together at noon time on October 15th. We will meet at the St Francis Health Center, 825 East Pikes Peak Ave. Enter the main entrance off the parking lot, hang a left, take the elevator to the 5th floor cafeteria. A table at the north end of the room, near the plants will be reserved for us. I am told the view is spectacular. (Editors note: Too bad they can't put the view in braille, Rosie!)

On Thursday's they feature a meat and veggie lasagna. Some other choices are stirfry, baked or broiled chicken. There is a salad bar and, of course, desserts. Price for the specials cost around \$2.25 and seniors get a discount.

I have asked Charlotte Kaitenstein to explain her role as a volunteer at St Francis. Many of you have been so generous to donate yarn and material to Charlotte to be used to make lap robes etc. Please continue to do so. If at any time you have some things to donate, I'll be glad to see that it goes to Charlotte.

If you have any questions, call me at #471-9965

Rosie, WAØMNL

Treasurer's Report de N7LV

For the period Aug 1 thru 31, 1998:
Income-Expenses = Gain/(Loss)

\$386.00-298.92=\$87.08

Contact me if you need more details.

It's been a quiet month, not much activity. I've disbursed most of the jackets and Mir sweatshirts, but still have several to pass out. If you've ordered one and are waiting to pick it up, please call me or come by the club meeting. Also, there is one person that wants a club jacket, but doesn't really want to pay the \$10 setup fee. If anyone else is interested in a jacket, contact me to get an order in. The setup fee is waived for orders of a dozen or more jackets. Less than a dozen and you all split the setup fee equally. If you're an ARRL member you can renew your dues through the club and \$2 of your dues comes back to the club as a commission. Help out the club next time you renew!

New MARC Board Ready to Serve

Next time you're over on the .82 telecom repeater, take the time to congratulate the new Mountain ARC officers on their election: Wes Wilson K0HBZ President, Jeff Smith KB0YCI Vice President, Bob Janmereth W8JWZ Treasurer; and Ken Lutz KC0DMY Secretary. I'm pretty sure that Wes is also a PPRAA member; not sure of the others. But I'm sure we'll be hearing them all in the future. Wes, certainly, as he is also the editor of MARC's Communicator. All four are also registered with Pikes Peak ARES so you may run into them during an exercise. Wes brought his comm trailer down for the Colorado Springs terrorist exercise on Sep 22 and ran net control there.

Speaking of exercises, or just public service in general, I enjoyed participating in the Balloon Classic once again, and from the way things are going it's not clear whether or not that was the last one. Thanks to Ginger N0UOD for doing a fantastic job of coordinating everything. She also passed on a list of those that participated: K0TER, KA0YPX, KA2KER, KB0IAP, KB0SCM, KB0SWR, KB0YGG, KB2ZVX, KC0BUY, KC0CYX, KC0DGK, KC0DSX, KC0DSY, KC4VMB, KD6FLM, KG0OQ, N0ABC, N0EOP, N0OUD, N0RNQ, N0TUP, N0TUU, N0ZUQ, N7LV, N9HSW, WA0ZEB. Hopefully we didn't leave anyone out! "We had a very good event this year! Everything went so well, you would think we'd done this before (Hi Hi)! Thanks for your dependability and hard work!" says Ginger. If you've ever wanted to participate in public service or emergency communications, October is a good month to get started. Both ARES and RACES have exercises planned: the ARES Simulated Emergency Test on Oct 10 and the

RACES exercise on Oct 24. Contact Larry N9HSW for ARES and Bryan N0LUF for RACES.

Well, the October club meeting is also the annual club meeting where we elect four new(?) members to the board. Since I'm only half way through my 2-yr term, I'll be on the board again, and will likely run again for treasurer. But there are three new positions, and we always elect new officers each year. If you have an inkling to participate in charting out the future of the club, please consider running for a position. We're always looking for new ideas. Got an idea where the club should be in the next five years? This is your chance to bring it to life. See you at the club meeting!

Board Meeting Minutes

September 14, 1998

Attending members were; Greg WA2OOD, Les KC0NC, Paula KC0AGG, Rob N7LV, Bill KD0JU, Moe WB0RTF, Jody KA0ROZ, Bill N0NJX, Ron NK0P, Aaron KD6FLM, Jeff N0JLH, Renay KA0ROY, and Cassie.

Greg WA2OOD called the meeting to order at 7:00pm, with two announcements. The first was that at the picnic there was food left over and that the club would get \$10.00 out of that. Also mentioned to again check on the key for the post office box. Rob N7LV was going to get two more keys for the mailbox.

There was some discussion about Fire Extinguishers again for the generators. Les KC0NC gathered information about this and found one kitchen type for about \$10.95. Another type of fire extinguisher would be about \$21.95 to purchase. The board decided to table this until about a month or two before the next Field Day, and make a decision at that time about which one to purchase.

Greg WA2OOD said that it would be about \$10.00 to rent the cooler from McDonalds for the Library Exhibit. The club will supply coffee, cups, napkins, hot water and tea bags for the Library Exhibit. A motion was made by Les KC0NC for the club to authorize up to \$50.00 for cookies for the exhibit, it was second by Jeff N0JLH, and the motion carried.

There is still a roll of the club's RG-8 coax missing from Field Day. Les thought that he had gotten all of the

coax that was marked PPRAA on it. If anyone knows where it is, please contact Mike KØTER or Rob N7LV.

Publicity: Ron NKØP mentioned that publicity for coordinating the Library Exhibit was coming along real good.

Ron NKØP has reserved the Community Room at the Sand Creek Police Substation for our October 19th board meeting, at 7:00PM. The station is near the corner of Fountain and Academy on the southeast corner.

Les KCØNC mentioned that if your e-mail address has changed to please inform him of this change and he will make the necessary corrections.

Jody KAØROZ, Ron NKØP, and Greg WA2OOD made calls for possible candidates for positions with the upcoming elections to see who would be interested in taking over different positions. A few other phone calls will need to be made.

There was much discussion about the upcoming elections for the October General membership meeting, as different positions will need to be filled. We are hoping for a good turn out of members at the October meeting.

Membership: Les KCØNC said that there are 203 members, of that 165 are family members, and 197 are active licensed Hams.

Rob N7LV made a motion that Paula KCØAGG is reimbursed for the flowers and card for Roxy's KEØOW funeral, Les KCØNC second the motion and the motion carried. A check for \$9.50 was given to Paula.

Rob N7LV sent letters to all the new hams to invite them to the open house Library Exhibit on October 3, 1998, that had been signed by our President Greg WA2OOD. Rob N7LV asked for the club to authorize to cover the postage. The secretary was given a copy of the letter to put in the files.

Programs: Jeff NØJLH The program for October will be the elections.

CCARC: Ron NKØP had the renewal application for the CCARC, that was signed by Greg WA2OOD, Les KCØNC, Paula KCØAGG, and Rob N7LV. He still needs volunteers for the simplex nets, if you can help, please contact Ron NKØP.

Bill NØNJX had nothing to report this month.

Moe WBØRTF has been making regular announcements on the PPFMA net about the Library Exhibit, the simplex nets and the October elections.

Les KCØNC made a motion to adjourn the meeting, it was second by Jeff NØJLH, and ended at 8:33 local.

Submitted by Paula KCØAGG Secretary

El Paso County HF Roundtable

Sunday evenings just after the El Paso County RACES 7:30 PM (local) HF net, on 28.385 MHz.

Everyone is invited to check in.

DITS & BITS

For sale from Jim, KGØAE

- One (1) YAESU HT Model 530 Dual Bander with two (2) 7-watt batteries and NC 24 Quick Chgr, lapel mic and clip, plus manual.
All for \$100.00 or best offer.

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- One (1) Kenwood Model TH-28 2-meter HT and Chgr with manual. \$90.00 or best offer.
Will sell separate or together. Make offer.

Jim Suddarth --KGØAE
392-5675

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For sale from George, WBØDUM

- ICOM 211 All Mode 2 Mtr Trans.
- Mast, Telescoping 40 Ft
- KLM 140 Watt 2 mtr amp
- 8" Wall mount brackets
- Misc. computer boards
- Scanner antenna

Contact George for prices and other info at 495-3983

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For Sale from Ginger, NØUOD

- Kenwood KR-V7040 Receiver, Ampli-tuner, Receptor, AM/FM Stereo
- Pioneer CLV-1-7- Laser Disk Player

All for \$250! Call Ginger at 528-8361 for more info

For sale by Eugene, WØHMK

- 50th Anniversary Issue of the Journal of Institute of Radio Engineers May 1961

For sale or trade

Call Eugene at 550-1804

[Editors Note: Eugene is not a member (yet). His ad was paid for by the editor from unreimbursed stamps]

1998 Colorado 14er Radio Event Results

- Bob Witte KBØCY, kbØcy@qsl.net,

RobtWitte@aol.com

Thanks to everyone that participated in the Colorado 14er Radio Event this year. The event really well this year with excellent weather all day all over the state. The total number of peaks active is down from last year which is surprising given the favorable weather.

Year	Peaks Active
1998	17
1997	20
1996	17
1995	20
1994	16
1993	19

Mark your calendars for next years event: AUGUST 29, 1999

This year, we operated from Pikes Peak with club call KØYB. Ken WA6TTY and Dave NØIPQ operated the QSO stations while Bob KBØCY, Joyce KAØDEH and Sara KCØAMO handled the information station. We had a large group on Mount Evans led by Chris KBØQQW. This group was a radio club (KBØUAA) associated with the International Association for Astronomical Studies. They managed to make the Denver TV News on Channel 9 Sunday night. Once again, John, NØLHW made it up Longs Peak, third year in a row. He was joined by Ron NØEC. Special thanks goes to our "regular participants" including Dave NØUVR, Scott KGØMR, John KDØGD, Allyn N5GIC, Andy AAØCM, Dan NØTZL and Jeff NØXDW. Bud KØGS was back again to climb Elbert. The complete list (as far I as know) is listed below.

Name	Call	Mountain	Other operators
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Frank	KFØWF	Antero	KCØAEC
Eric	KCØCAV	Bierstadt	
Dan	NØTZL	Bross	NØXDW and
others			
Dave	NØUVR	Democrat	KBØRLF,
NØRQV			
Bud	KØGS	Elbert	
Chris	KBØUAA	Evans	KBØQQW and
IAAS team			
Walt	W4HXC	Grays	
Leith	NØVMF	Lindsey	
Crawford	KBØYMT	Lincoln	
John	NØLHW	Longs	NØEC
Larry	N9HSW	Massive	
Net Control	KØYB	Pikes	WA6TTY,
NØIPQ, KAØDEH, KBØCY			
Steve	NØFMD	Princeton	KBØWFL,
KBØVUU, KBØREF, KCØAEB			
John	KDØGD	Sherman	
Allyn	N5GIC	Sneffels	
Andy	AAØCM	Snowmass	
Scott	KGØMR	Yale	

The longest distance contact between 14er stations was between Snowmass and Longs for a distance of 110 miles.

Due to the hike-in nature of most of the peaks, most operators use portable handie-talkies and relatively compact antennas. This gives the event an FM orientation but there is some SSB activity. The log from Pikes Peak shows the following profile of activity:

Pikes Peak QSOs (not counting informal QSOs with net control/info station):

29 MHz FM 2
50 MHz FM 7
144 MHz FM 47
222 MHz FM 4
446 MHz FM 33
Total FM= 93

50 MHz SSB 7
144 MHz SSB 10
Total SSB= 17

Total contacts = 110

The Colorado 14er Event web site is at:

<http://members.aol.com/RobtWitte/colo14.html>

A special event QSL can be obtained by QSLing to the mountaintop station's address with a self-addressed stamped envelope. Alternatively, you can QSL to KØYB in care of:

Bob Witte
21060 Capella Drive
Monument, CO 80132

[ED: This one is for Jodie, KAØROZ]

Preserving Ham Radio History!

By Pete, KC8ER, submitted by Rob, N7LV

I have been a subscriber to several reflectors, email lists and news groups, and have come to realize that there is one group that is missing amongst all those numbers. And that one is dedicated to the preservation of Ham Radio History.

Ham Radio has been in existence for nearly one hundred years. The original old timers and Elmers are gone. In order to research and preserve as much of our hobby's past as possible, I have established an Email reflector group to that end. All are invited to join and contribute whatever trivia, facts or recollections of ham radio's past that they can - and enjoy the recollections of others.

Even today, some of the most common usage, nomenclature, procedures and traditions can only be traced back to murky origins and "folk lore". Together we might be able to push away the sands of time and clarify the past.

Help us preserve Ham Radio's history and help uncover some of our lost origins by sharing your recollections about it today. Please join and participate in this new Email News Group and help preserve and share in some of the elements of the past.

You can subscribe by sending an email to:

ham-radio-history-subscribe@egroups.com

(Can also be received in Digest form)

Thank you for your time and consideration.

de Pete, KC8ER

kc8er@hotmail.com

From the Editors Desk

This will be my last Ø-beat as editor for a while. I am turning it over to Jeff, NØJLH after this issue.

I would like to thank all who gave me input, articles and other submissions for the Ø-beat for the last 2 years. It has been grueling and fun. Its time to let someone else in on the fun, trials and tribulations of getting the Ø-beat out to the members on time.

I will still be active in the club as a board member (if elected), as a Volunteer examiner, in the capacity of an (Official) Emergency Station(possibly, have been one in Seattle for 11 years), at JOTA and other club functions and activities (when they don't conflict with other planned activities! [First Come First Served]).

A note on the "Release and Hold Harmless Agreement Privacy Act Statement" form on the next to last page:

Any one who is helping out with Jamboree on the Air is required to fill out this form for Fort Carson per DoD Directive 4515.13R and Army Regulation 95-1. So if you are or want to help, please fill out this form and bring it to the meeting. I'll be glad to pick them up and forward them to Dan KBØPPM.

This month is elections! So come out and VOTE!

See you all at the meeting!

73

Bill, KDØJU

The Prodigal's Son Returns!

Mike Anderson WV7T-9H3GA-W9USN

IN 1971 while attending Palmer High school with the tireless efforts of Ron Seats KØLZD and Rosie Calaway WAØMNL I became WNØEQM and a member of the PPRAA. Two years and six General exams later I traded my WNØEQM in for WBØLEY. I graduated from Palmer in the Year of

Best Regards, 1973, and promptly enlisted in the US Navy going to bootcamp in San Diego CA then to Electrician's school in Great Lakes IL. My first ship was the USS Ogden out of San Diego and achieved the rank of E-4 (third class petty officer). Following my first tour I left the Navy to attend the University of Southern Colorado (USC) in Pueblo studying Electronics under Don Middleton WØNIT (SK). While at USC I was elected president of the college ham club WØENA and more importantly met and married my wife Rhoda (ex- KNØYFP, now KB2BZY). Receiving my degree I was employed to teach Electronics at the Mojave Community College in Kingman AZ. With a family I needed more income so I petitioned to return to the Navy and in June 1982 I reentered the Navy. For the next 16 years 2 months and 23 days I served aboard the USS Roark FF-1053, USS Nimitz CVN-68, USS Harold E. Holt FF-1074, USS Worden CG-18, and USS McKee AS-41, and ashore in San Diego CA, Naval Air Station Sigonella Sicily Italy, and two tours at Naval Training Center Great Lakes IL. I served in Desert Storm as senior Electrician aboard USS Harold E. Holt FF-1074. During the years and many duty stations served at I organized and served as officer in numerous ham clubs: PRESIDENT USS Harold E. Holt ARC Pearl Harbor HI, Joint Services ARC Pearl Harbor HI, Sigonella Shortwave Society Naval Air Station Sigonella Sicily Italy, Great Lakes ARC Naval Training Center Great Lakes IL, San Diego Packet Users Group San Diego CA; PRESIDENT-SECRETARY North Shore Radio Club Highland Park IL. I assisted with operations for the special event station on Ford Island Pearl Harbor HI on 7 December 1991 (50th anniversary of Pearl Harbor bombing). I have coordinated over 30 special event operations including several from Mt Palomar in southern California and operated Navy-Marine Corps Region HQ station NAV-4 during the 1998 Armed Forces Day crossband operations. I have taught all classes of amateur licensing and have been a ARRL-VE since 1986. Over the years I have given over 50 presentations covering many facets of amateur radio and held classes to enhance operator proficiency in numerous technical areas. I am a professional elmer and will not hesitate to make "house calls" to help a fellow amateur with

any problem within my abilities. After 10 attempts I achieved my Extra class license and secured the call WV7T as I expected to retire from the Navy back to Kingman AZ. Having taken the ham exams from Novice to Extra directly impacted my achieving the rank of E-7, Chief Petty Officer, a Congressional appointment, in the Navy. In 1998 I was awarded the Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal by the US Navy for my work in Amateur radio and Navy-Marine Corps Military Affiliate Radio System (MARS). Now with my ham bride I have returned to my beginnings ready to serve. I ask the PPRAA and it's members to put me to work. All I know and all I have experienced is at the club's call. See Rosie just what you have done! A job well done for sure! Thanks from a grateful ham!

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